

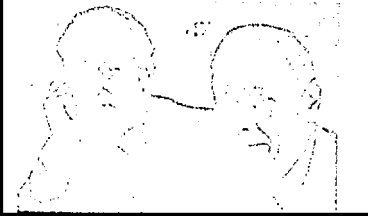
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Mankiewicz and Braden teamed for commentary

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Two newsmen who were closely associated with the late President John F. Kennedy and Senator Robert F. Kennedy are teaming up for a column of commentary on political affairs in the liberal vein.



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The writers of the column which is already appearing in a dozen newspapers after making its debut in the *Chicago Sun-Times* are: Frank Mankiewicz and Tom Braden. Their home base is Washington, D. C.

The Los Angeles Times Syndicate will offer the column after Election Day.

Mankiewicz, who received a Master's degree at Columbia University Graduate School of Journalism, started his newspaper career during undergraduate days at UCLA as sports editor and later as editor of the *Daily Bruin*.

He worked as a news service Washington and foreign correspondent before returning to California as city editor of the *Santa Monica Independent*. In 1932 he turned from journalism to law, earned a law degree at the University of California and practiced in Beverly Hills for six years.

Following the election of President Kennedy, for whom he had campaigned, Mankiewicz left his law practice to become director of the Peace Corps program for Peru. Later he was appointed director for all the Latin-American programs of that agency.

In 1966 Senator Robert Kennedy asked Mankiewicz to join his staff as press secretary. He served in that capacity until the Senator was assassinated.

Mankiewicz covered the Republican Convention as an NBC correspondent and attended the Democratic Convention as a delegate from California.

Braden literally parachuted to his first job as a reporter as a member of the OSS during World War II. He served in both France and Italy and drew on "Sub Rosa, the Story of the OSS," which he wrote with Stewart Allen.

After stints as a reporter for a New York radio station and the *New York Herald-Tribune*, Braden became an English teacher at Dartmouth College. When the Korean War broke out he joined the CIA, as an assistant to Allen Dulles, the agency's director.

In 1954 Braden went to California to run his own newspaper, the *Oceanside Blade Tribune*. He covered the war in Vietnam for his own paper and also traveled to Russia, where he narrowly escaped arrest as a former "spy," and continued to write articles for magazines.

He served for six years as president of California's State Board of Education, attracting national attention by enlisting the board in a campaign for high teacher standards.

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